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RE:

USSN 156910 of Gaisch et al. (PM 913)

Dear Jim:

I believe you have full details of the prosecution record to date.

Enclosed is an Office Action due for response by December 21, 1981. Various claims are found allowable and the rest are only objected to on formal grounds. I imagine you can give directions for preparation of an amendment without having to spend much of your own time, but please give consideration to the relationship with our other cases. The application is owned of record by FTR. For that reason I would prefer to offer them an opportunity to review the proposed response before it is filed, if time permits.

Please also check to see if anything further needs to be done to effectuate the priority claim, for which the appropriate certified copy has already been filed.

Finally, we have not yet received confirmation from the PTO of acceptance of the requested change of inventorship.

Very truly yours,

Arthur I. Palmer, Jr.

ch cc: E. Bailey C. Scott